By Mr. Hoffman, a petition of the citizens of Burke, Catawba and Cleveland counties to incorporate Zion Hill Baptist Church, in Burke county.

Referred to the Committee on Propositions and Grievances.

By Mr. Hampton, a petition of Dempsey Wood, of Surry county, asking to be placed on fourth-class pension list.

Referred to the Committee on Pensions.

By Mr. Carr, a petition from the citizens of Wilson county in regard to the purchase tax.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. Allen, petition from certain citizens of Wayne county as to the merchant tax.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. Gattis, petition of I. J. Carden, of Orange county. Referred to the Committee on Finance.

## REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Bills and resolutions are reported from Standing Committees, read by their titles, together with the reports accompanying them, and take their places on the Calendar as follows:

By Mr. Carroll, from the Committee on the Judiciary, H. B. 326, a bill to be entitled an act to amend Chapter 65, on the Judiciary.

Public Laws of 1895, with a favorable recommendation.

Mr. Russell, from the Committee on Engrossed Bills, reports that the following are correctly engrossed, and they are ordered to be sent to the Senate for the concurrence of that body:

H. B. 92, an act to repeal the charter of Dudley, Wayne county.

H. B. 222, an act to repeal Chapter 297, Private Laws of 1895.

H. B. 223, an act to amend Chapter 345, Public Laws of 1895.